



Spirit of Coppell July 4th Parade Rules and Regulations



Float Line-Up Time Begins 8:45 a.m.

Floats may arrive beginning at 7:30 a.m. at St. Ann's parking lot, located at the corner of Samuel Blvd. and Sandy Lake Blvd. Only the actual vehicle that will be in the parade will be allowed in the staging area. Floats must be complete by 8:15 a.m. (for judging) and ready to commence moving north onto Samuel Blvd. by 8:45am.

Float Requirements

Float length shall not exceed 55 feet, including the tow vehicle, and cannot exceed 14 feet on the width or height. All floats or decorated vehicles shall carry a 2A:10BC fire extinguisher with a current inspection tag. Please make sure that all trash is removed from the St. Ann's parking lot prior to the start of the parade. No vehicles will be allowed to stay in staging area during the parade due to activities scheduled at the church.

Line-Up and Staging

All parade vehicles will enter the staging area from Samuel Blvd. You will be directed where to park your float when you arrive.

Participant Drop Offs

Drop off vehicles will not be allowed to pull into staging parking lot. Participants that are entered as a group and will be dropped off to meet the remainder of their group are asked to be dropped off in the parking lot east of the staging area. Use the east entrances off Sandy Lake Road.

Judging

Judging begins promptly at 8:15 a.m. Entries will be judged on originality and spirit. Awards will be given to the **Best Decorated** and the **Most Spirited**.

Indemnity Agreement

All entries must have completed their Indemnity Agreement that was attached to your entry form in order to participate in the parade.

Parade Route

Entries will be instructed when to exit St. Ann's parking lot onto Samuel Blvd. Entries will proceed north on Samuel toward Parkway Blvd. The parade will then commence west on Parkway to Town Center Blvd.

Please remember to keep the flow of **traffic moving at a steady pace** during the parade – **no gaps**. Try to encourage little walkers to keep moving. If you should encounter any problems during the parade, please pull your entry to the right side of the street. Motion for entries following you to proceed past and then seek assistance from parade officials or police officers along the parade route. Emergencies, dial 911.

Parade Speed

No vehicle shall exceed 15 miles per hour during the commencement of the parade. Operators of specialized vehicles or performance-enhanced vehicles in the parade shall be mindful of Texas Transportation Code Section 545.420(a)(5); "a person may not participate in any manner in an exhibition of vehicle speed or acceleration." Any operator of a vehicle participating in an exhibition of acceleration will be cited by law enforcement officers and immediately removed from the parade.

Distribution Requirements	<p><u>THROWING or TOSSING of candy, beads, or other materials from parade floats or other vehicles is specifically prohibited (including walkers).</u></p> <p>Individually wrapped candy, beads, or other materials may be given to spectators by walkers adjacent to parade floats. Written materials must be approved by July 2, 2014. Spraying of water or any other liquid is specially prohibited. Violators will be removed from the parade.</p>
Riding and walking	<p>If you start the parade on the float, you must stay on the float the entire route. If you start the parade walking, you must walk the entire route. Moving back and forth is not permitted.</p>
Parade Conclusion	<p><u>Once your entry turns on Town Center Blvd. please continue moving until you reach the Tom Thumb parking lot. Please do not park or block the street.</u></p> <p>Any long-period stopping will result in delays in the parade and a traffic jam.</p>

In the event of inclement weather on the day of the parade,
please check Facebook.com/CoppellParks and the website at www.coppelltx.gov
Please call 972-462-5100 for any further details or concerns.